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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION BANGKOK FROM SONGKHLA JULY 7
REPEATED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

QUOTE

SONGKHLA 114

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, MY, TH

SUBJ: CPM INVITED TO POLICE DISTRICTS IN YALA

1. RELIABLE SOURCE REPORTS THAT SINO-THAI BUSINESSMEN AND PLANTATION OWNERS IN BANNANG SATA AREA OF YALA PROVINCE ARE INVITING MALAYSIA COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS (MOST OF WHOM ARE CHINESE) INTO AREA AS PROTECTION AGAINST BANDITS. WEALTHY CHINESE MERCHANTS IN AREA HAVE LONG BEEN TARGET FOR EXTORTION AND KIDNAPPING, AND WILD WEST ATMOSPHERE DOWN HERE MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR RTG TO REALLY TAKE HOLD OF SITUATION. FACT THAT THAI CHINESE INVITING IN MALAYSIAN "GODFATHERS" UNDERLINES LACK OF PROTECTION.

2. SITUATION IS BOOST FOR CPM, IN THAT IT GIVES GROUP OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK RESPECTABLE AND PROVIDE LAW AND ORDER
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FOR SECTOR OF POPULACE. NO QUESTION THAT CPM WILL BE ABLE

TO KEEP DOWN BANDITS IN ITS AREAS; ASSUME THAT CPM WILL
ALSO GET FINANCIAL REWARDS FOR SERVICES RENDERED. PROBLEM FOR
FUTURE IS THAT RELATIONSHIP ONCE AGAIN INCREASES SINO-THAI
CONNECTIONS WITH CPM IN SOUTH THAILAND.

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